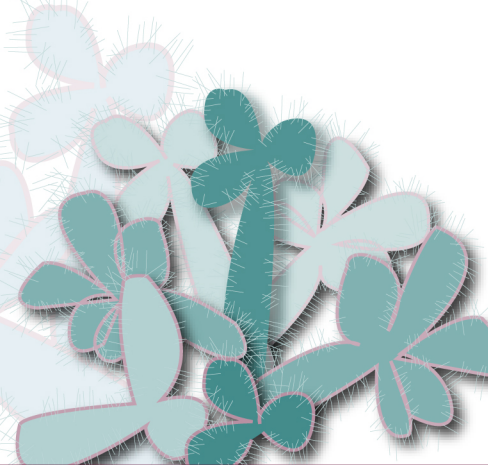




Cholla District Network News



Vice Mayor Manny Martinez, City of Glendale

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Bridge Demolition Now Complete at Union Hills Drive Interchange

During the past two weekends, construction crews removed the outer portion of the Union Hills Drive interchange bridge to prepare the bridge to be widened by an additional lane in each direction. That work went very smoothly and is now complete. Construction to build the new outer portions of the bridge can now proceed.

Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues. Beginning Feb. 17, portions of the sidewalk on Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues will be CLOSED until mid-March for utility work and sidewalk removal. Pedestrians will be guided around the work area, and the sidewalk on the opposite side of Beardsley Road will remain open for pedestrians.

Union Hills Drive at Loop 101. Left turns from eastbound Union Hills Drive to northbound Loop 101 will be restricted to one turn lane through late 2010 for interchange improvements.

Public Budget Meetings. The city of Glendale has created several opportunities for residents to give comments on the proposed budget for next fiscal year. The feedback will be given to the City Council as they make decisions on the 2010-2011 budget and proposed adjustments.

Residents are invited to attend a public meeting to comment or ask questions while also learning about the budget process and innovative ideas that have been implemented.

The public budget meetings are scheduled for:

- **March 3rd:** Foothills Recreation and Aquatic Center - 5600 W. Union Hills Drive (Coyote Room), 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- **March 4th:** Desert Mirage Elementary School – 8605 W. Maryland (cafeteria), 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- **March 8th:** Glendale City Council Chambers – 5850 W. Glendale Ave., 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

In addition to the public meetings, a special Web site and hotline have been created offering residents an alternative to voice their opinion. Online comments can be submitted at www.glendaleaz.com. Citizens can also call a special public hotline and leave a message with feedback on the proposed budget. The hotline is (623) 930-2444. The hotline and online comment cards will be available until 5 p.m. on March 11.

Glendale Proposed Budget. The city of Glendale proposed budget will be posted online along with budget background information and frequently asked questions. After public comments have been received and documented, Glendale's City Council will formally begin the budget process during a public meeting on Tuesday, March 23, at 1:30 p.m. A second meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 30, at 1:30 p.m.

For more information, go to www.glendaleaz.com.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection. Did you know that common household hazardous waste can be dangerous when mixed with other garbage material? Residents can get rid of their household hazardous waste through the Glendale's Household Hazardous Waste pick-up event.

The Glendale Sanitation Division offers residents the opportunity to safely dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste with its home collection service. Registration for an appointment will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Residents can schedule appointments February 22 through March 19. Collections will take place March 15 through April 2.

Hazardous materials that will be accepted include paints and stains, antifreeze and other automotive fluids, pesticides, motor oil and filters, batteries, pool chemicals and household cleaners. Items that are unacceptable are explosives, radioactive materials, tires, drums, ammunition and medical or business wastes.

There is a 20 gallon limit on paint, oil, gasoline, antifreeze and other automotive liquids. No single container may be larger than 5 gallons. All items should be in their original containers and must be clearly marked to identify their contents.

To arrange a pickup of hazardous waste materials, residents can call the Sanitation Division at (623) 930-2660. For more information on household hazardous materials [click here](#).



Glendale Police Department Receives GOHS Grant. The Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) awarded the Glendale Police Department with a \$7,000.00 grant to purchase equipment for traffic enforcement and accident investigations.

The equipment will be used by the department's motorcycle and vehicular crimes units. The motorcycle units will be outfitted with upgraded storage compartments to store vital enforcement equipment. The vehicular crimes unit will be able to purchase additional cameras to assist them with gathering evidence at serious and fatal accident scenes. The Glendale Police Department remains committed to providing the best service to the community by using technology in an efficient manner.

The Glendale Police Department works with GOHS to enforce a variety of safety violations which focus on traffic safety.

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

Acoustic Jam Sessions. Musicians can bring their acoustic instruments and play round-robin style, while the audience just needs to show up! The Acoustic Jam Session is at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 24 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. For more information call (623) 930-3573.

Live at the Library. On Thursday, February 25 'Two for the Show' performs at Live at the Library. Dewey Harnagel and Kimball Win will play songs that are loved by all – country, folk, old-time rock 'n' roll, pop standards and more. Join these seasoned performers at 7 p.m., in the Main Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St. For more information about Live at the Library, call (623) 930-3573.

Touch-A-Truck. Help us celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the ever popular Touch-A-Truck event from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, February 27 at Glendale Community College, 6000 W. Olive Ave. It's fun for the entire family and educational too! Come out, look at, sit in and Touch-A-Truck of all sizes. Souvenirs and refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, [click here](#) or call (623) 930-2044.

Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival. Over 150 performers with styles ranging from Folk and Bluegrass to Cowboy Poetry and Storytelling will entertain at Glendale Parks and Recreation's two-day Folk & Heritage Festival.

The festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, March 20 and 21 at the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave. Attendees are welcome to enjoy the entertainment on six stages and participate in free workshops, on topics such as ukulele techniques, mountain dulcimer, beginning autoharp and banjo led by accomplished entertainers.

This unique festival includes family entertainment, historic Sahuaro Ranch site tours, blacksmith demonstrations and children's stage and activity area. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. Admission and most activities are free. To volunteer or for more information, call (623) 930-4200.

Glendale Family Bike Ride Registrations Now Online! Glendale's Green Festival is teaming up with the Glendale Family Bike Ride on Saturday, March 27, and both events are bigger than ever! This free something-for-everyone event is a great opportunity for people of all ages to get a little exercise and learn about water and energy efficiency, alternative transportation, going solar, and many other green-living practices. [Click here](#) to learn more! [Register for the Bike Ride](#)

2nd Annual Summer Safety Fair. In partnership with the Glendale Police, Fire, and Transportation departments, the Citizens' Police Academy Alumni of Glendale (CPAAG) is planning its 2nd Annual Summer Safety Fair, sponsored by Target. The event will be held March 20 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Target shopping center, 10404 N. 43rd Ave.

At the 2nd Annual Summer Safety Fair, kids and their parents can learn about everything from fire, home, and personal safety to water and bicycle safety. Our safety fair, while providing safety-related information for people of all ages, is focused on youth safety.

For more information about the 2nd annual Summer Safety Fair, call 623-670-5710 or e-mail info@cpaag.org.

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